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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION ANKARA 2 FEB 77 FROM ADANA  
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QUOTE  
UNCLAS ADANA 028

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINS, CASC, TU  
SUBJECT: PUBLIC ACCUSATION AGAINST ADANA PRISON ADMINIS-  
TRATION

1. YENI ADANA FEBRUARY 2 FRONT PAGES TEXT OF LETTER REPORTEDLY  
WRITTEN BY 20 (UNNAMED) TURKISH POLITICAL PRISONERS ON  
JANUARY 26, 1977 AT ADANA PRISON ALLEGING DIRECTOR AND STAFF  
HAVE TURNED PLACE INTO "NAZI CAMP." YENI ADANA EDITORIAL FOLLOWS  
TEXT OF LETTER AND REVIEWS PERCEIVED HISTORICAL PERSECUTION  
OF LEFT WING IN TURKEY.

2. UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF LETTER FOLLOWS:

"COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY RULING CLASSES ARE PANICKED BY THE  
REVOLUTIONARY STRUGGLE OF THE PEOPLE, AND THEY INCREASE  
THEIR VIOLENCE THEY APPLY TO THE PEOPLE.

THE ECONOMIC AND THE POLITICAL RIGHTS OF WORKERS AND POOR  
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VILLAGERS ARE ATTACKED FIERCELY. REVOLUTIONARIES WHO ARE  
FIGHTING FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE WORKING CLASS AND THE PRO-  
LETARIAN PEOPLE ARE BEING KILLED IN TORTURE CELLS. THEY  
ARE BEING STUFFED INTO JAILS. THE SAME TORTURING IS GOING  
ON IN JAILS, TOO. THE ADANA PRISON IS THE MOST CONCRETE EXAMPLE  
OF THIS. THERE IS NEVER A DAY THAT GOES BY WITHOUT BASTINADO OR WHEN  
THE CELLS ARE EMPTY. THE DIRECTOR IS AT THE HEAD OF THIS. WHEN

POLITICAL PRISONERS ARRIVE AT THE PRISON, HE DOES NOT LET THEM  
GO TO THEIR CELLS WITHOUT GIVING THEM THE BASTINADO FIRST.  
MOST RECENTLY, NURETTIN CIVICI, SERDAR DURUKAN AND SEYFI YALTAK,  
WHO HAVE BEEN SENT ON EXILE FROM OSMANIYE PRISON TO ADANA PRISON,  
HAVE BEEN PUT IN THE BASTINADO, HIT ON THE HEADS WITH TRUNCHEONS,  
KICKED, SLAPPED, AND THROWN IN THEIR CELL. NURETTIN CIVICI HAS  
BEEN WOUNDED IN THE FACE AS A RESULT OF THIS ASSAULT. THE ADANA  
PRISON HAS BEEN TURNED INTO A NAZI CAMP. REACTIONARY PROPOGANDA  
IS BEING MADE THRU THE LOUD SPEAKERS EVERYDAY. TORTURE IS BEING  
APPLIED TO THE CONVICTED AND THE PRISONERS ARBITRARILY."  
VON DEN STEINEN  
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